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REPORT Date June 11, 1937.

Subject The Shanghai Municipality Military Uniform Foreman-Tailors Lien Nyi Society - meeting.

Made by D.S.I. Shih Ssu Chien Forwarded by T Logue D S I

The Shanghai Municipality Military Uniform Foreman-Tailors Lien Nyi Society, 5, Lane 584 Yu Ya Ching Road, held a meeting on the premises of the Ningpo Fellow Countrymen's Association, 480 Yu Ya Ching Road, at 1 p.m. on June 10, 1937 for the purpose of electing an Executive Committee. Seventy-nine members were present at the meeting, whilst Messrs. Loh Ying Chu of the local Tangpu and Tsu Ching Dau (朱錦清) of the Bureau of Social Affairs attended to supervise the proceedings. The following seven persons were elected members of the Executive Committee :-

1. Tsang Foo Zung (張富宗)
2. Zung Ao Ling (鍾鶴林)
3. Waung Kwei Hing (汪桂興)
4. Yang Lai Sung (楊萊生)
5. Yang Kung Sung (楊根生)
6. Yang Mou Ling (楊茂林)
7. Kao Vung Mao (高文茂).

The meeting terminated at 6.30 p.m. June 10 without anything of an untoward nature occurring.

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June 8, 1937.

C.D.I. Ross

The following is the translation of a letter received at Louza Stations-

"A general meeting of the members of this Association will be held at 1 p.m. 10-6-37 on the premises of the Ningpo Fellow Countrymen's Association, Yu Ya Ching Road, for the purpose of re-election of members. Aside from requesting the attendance by members of the "Tang" and political organizations, we write this in the hope that you will send some officer to attend too.

The Military Tailors
Association of Shanghai.
5 Kang Chi Li, Yu Ya Ching Rd.

P.S. Between 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. 10-6-37, meals will be served to members attending. "

C.D.I. Ross.
As phoned.
J. McFarlane.

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Date April 7, 8 1937

Subject Dispute between the Shanghai Municipality Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society and the Military Uniform Tailors' Union.

Made by D.I. Pan Lien-pih *Forwarded by* Thorne D S I

The dispute between the Shanghai Municipality Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society, now located at No. 5, Lane 584, Yu Ya-ching Road, and the Military Uniform Tailors' Union, Lane 218, 16 Hwei Wen Road, Chapei, over the rate for making military uniforms, which commenced at the beginning of March, has been settled as the result of a mediation meeting held under the auspices of the Bureau of Social Affairs on March 25. At this meeting the representatives of both sides agreed to reduce the rate from $0.09 to $0.082 per suit, and an agreement to this effect was then signed.

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File No. [illegible] REGISTRY No. S. B. D. 7832 15 3 37

Date March 15, 1937.

Subject: Dispute between the Shanghai Municipality Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society and the Military Uniform Tailors' Union

Made by: D.I. Pan Lien-pih Forwarded by: T Bayne D S I

A dispute over the rate of pay for making military uniform has arisen between the Shanghai Municipality Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society, Lane 96, No.18 Bubbling Well Road, and the Military Uniform Tailors' Union, No.11 Yoong Nyih Li, Wei Vung Road, Chapei.

As a rule, the uniform tailor foremen act as agents between the military uniform traders and tailors, and receive a commission of $0.055 per suit of uniform made. Recently the uniform traders obtained an order from the Ministry of War of the National Government for 80,000 suits of spring uniform with short sleeves. The traders accordingly supplied material to the tailor foremen for making the uniforms at the rate of $0.126 per suit, instead of $0.145 as during past years, the reduction being made on the ground that the style of the spring uniform ordered by the Ministry of War has been changed.

With the intention of maintaining the original rate of commission at the expense of the tailors, the foremen, through their Society, offered the Military Uniform Tailors' Union $0.075 instead of $0.09 per suit as hitherto paid. This reduction was objected to by the Military Uniform Tailors' Union, with the result that a controversy arose between the Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society and the Tailors' Union.

On March 11, a meeting of representatives of the Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Nyi Society and the Military Uniform Tailors' Union was held in the office of the society, Lane 96, No.18 Bubbling Well Road for the purpose of discussing the matter. A delegate from the

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General LAbour Union was also present. During this conference, the foremens representative suggested increasing the reduced rate from $0.075 to $0.08 per suit, but this concession met with opposition from the tailors, as a result of which the meeting broke up without any compromise being reached.

It is now known that endeavours are being continued by the Military Uniform Tailor Foremen's Lien Hyi Society to reach an amicable settlement with the tailors.

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Date March 5th. 1937.

Subject Re attached letter addressed to Sinza Station from the Union of the Foremen of military uniform Tailors, Shanghai Municipality.

Made by D.S.I. Li Shih Chang. Forwarded by

Sir,

A letter dated 5-3-37, was received at this Station from the Union of the Foreman of Military Uniform Tailors, Shanghai Municipality, with office at Lane 96, House No. 18, Bubbling Well Road, reporting that a tailor's representative named Yu Kuo Ying (俞國英), address unknown, had instigated a number of loafers to create a disturbance at the premises of the Union following a dispute over the price for making uniforms, discussed during a meeting held by the representatives of the union and of the tailors.

At 10.30a.m. 4-3-37, the undersigned and C.D.C. 515 visited the above union to conduct enquiries in this case, but no responsible members of this union were located.

At 3p.m. same day, two representatives of the union, one named Wong Kwei Shing (汪貴興), who was mentioned in the letter as having been involved in the dispute, living at 15 Zai Ho Fong (瑞和坊), Paochan Road, Chapei, and the other named Yang Mou Ling (楊茂林), at House 7, Wang Shing Li (旺興里), Amoy Road, came to the Station in response to request by detectives, when the following particulars were elicited from them.

This union formed by 108 foremen, is, as a matter of fact, acting as an agent between the military uniform traders and the military uniform tailors, the former having their union at Hung Tsung Fong (鴻慶坊), Rustill Road with 85 members, and the latter at House 11 Yeung Kei Li ([illegible]), Wei Yung Road, Chapei, representing [illegible] male workers.

Upon the receipt of a contract from the [illegible] Department of the Ministry of [illegible] the military uniform traders quoted prices for [illegible]

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tailors who then called a meeting to be held at the latter's union, requesting the representative of Tailors' Union to attend and discuss the price quoted, after which a reply would be given to the Uniform Traders as to whether the price was acceptable, the material being supplied by the traders. This practice has been carried out for several years.

Recently the uniform traders accepted an order from the Military Equipment Dept. for 80,000 suits of spring uniform. They quoted 12½¢ for the making of each suit to the Foremen of tailors, instead of 14½¢ per suit as during last years, as the style of the uniform has been changed from long sleeves to short.

The foremen of tailors wrote a letter to the tailors' union on 1-3-37, asking their representatives to attend the former's union, where a meeting would be held p.m. 3-3-37, to discuss on the subject of the cost of labour being cut. The meeting was accordingly held, and 10 representatives of the tailors attended.

The chairman of the union of the Foremen of tailors named Zee Shing Wei (徐興維) was absent at Chinkiang, and the meeting was presided by Wong Kwei Shing (汪桂清), who acted as chairman of this union, who informed the representatives of the tailors of the cut of 2¢ for each suit of uniform.

These representatives maintained that a cut of ½ cent might be made and that they could not accept such a difference in price as quoted by the uniform traders. The acting chairman, who was evidently not choosing his words carefully during the controversy between the two parties, stated that he was not acting as the president of this meeting and was unable to make a decision in the matter. Some could be [illegible]

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chairman to Shanghai.

One of the representatives of the tailors named Yu Kuo Ying refuted the statement of the acting chairman, stating that he made a fool of them in asking them to attend the meeting, at which he could not carry out his duty. A quarrel started between these two persons, and Yu Kuo Ying left the union of the Foremen of Tailors using threatening language.

At about 5p.m. 3-5-37, Yu Kuo Ying returned to the above union in company with about twenty loafers, in an attempt to locate Wong Kwei Shing, the acting chairman, who had left the premises. They were persuaded to leave the premises by Yang Nou Ling and other members of this union, Hou Yu Sung (侯玉生), the president of Tailors Union and several others, who had participated the meeting and who had not left the premises at the time.

In fear that any further disturbance may be created at the union by Yu Kuo Ying and loafers, the attached letter was sent to this Station requesting protection.

Wong Kwei Shing stated that a demand had been forwarded to the Union of the Tailors to obtain a settlement of this occurrence, and Police will be informed in due course of the result. In the meantime, he does not require further action being taken by Police against Yu Kuo Ying and his accomplices.

Present enquiry measures will be taken when a further meeting is held at the above union between the Foremen of Tradesmen and Tailors.

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